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For:

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004, Paper Number 20041029. Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Granting the petition would extend the time for filing the Response to April 4, 2005. The appropriate petition fee of \$225.00 is enclosed herewith. Please amend the application as indicated below, consistent with the instructions found attached hereto:

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